## **REMARKS**

The pending claims are 7-9. Claim 7 has been amended. No new matter is introduced therein.

The drawings have been objected to. Figure 1 and Figure 3B have been amended as shown in red on the enclosed copies of those figures. Accordingly, applicants request that the objection to the drawings be withdrawn.

The Abstract has been objected to. The Abstract has been amended by substituting "having" for "which comprises." Accordingly, applicants request that the objection to the Abstract be withdrawn.

Claims 7 and 8 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Fujiwara (U.S. Patent No. 4,853,568). Claim 9 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Fujiwara in view of Yasuhiro (JP 06-038432). Applicants thank the Examiner for taking the time to conduct an interview with applicants' representatives regarding these claims. During the interview, the Examiner stated that Applicants' proposed amendment to claim 7 would overcome these rejections. Therefore, the amendment to claim 7 submitted herewith overcomes this rejection.

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is not considered any more pertinent to applicants' disclosure than that already cited.

For all the foregoing reasons, applicants respectfully solicit allowance of claims 7-9.

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## **VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**

- 7. (Amended) A motor comprising:
  - (a) a motor base including:
    - (a-1) a base;
- (a-2) a bearing supporter protruded vertically from said base for supporting a bearing;
  - (a-3) a stator supporter;
- (a-4) a <u>plurality of terminals</u> made of metal plate and disposed around said bearing supporter;
  - (a-5) a metal tip extended outside of said motor base;
  - (b) a stator mounted to said stator supporter;
- (c) a rotor supported by the bearing which is supported by said bearing supporter; and
  - (d) a metal cover, of which end is fixed to said metal tip, for covering said rotor,

wherein the base has a substantially flat side extending from at least one of said plurality of terminals to the metal tip.

## **ABSTRACT**:

A motor includes a motor-base-holder which comprises having (a) a base, (b) a bearing supporter vertically protruded from the base for supporting a bearing, (c) a stator supporter concentric with the bearing supporter for being mounted with a stator, (d) a motor base having terminals made of a metal plate and insert-molded around the bearing

supporter, and (e) a frame made of the same metal as the terminals and linked to fringe of the motor base. This structure solves difficulties of mini-motors such as difficulties of handling the motor, difficulties of mating those elements each other, and time-consuming bonding action. A method of assembling the same motor achieves high productivity.